

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following remarks.

Applicant canceled claims 1-49 and submitted new claims 50-69 in the response mailed on May 20, 2003. The Office communication of August 11, 2003 indicated that the referenced response was not fully responsive due to lack of support for the newly added claims. Applicant hereby provides support for the new claims.

Independent claim 50 recites a service control point (SCP) configured to determine redirection capabilities for a first destination based upon a dialed number received into the SCP in a first query for a call. The specification provides support for claim 50 at page 9, lines 24-29, although support for the claim 50 is not limited to this section. Claim 50 advantageously provides for independently defining call redirection capabilities for a toll-free number that terminates on a destination or a trunk group independent of the redirection capabilities of other toll-free numbers that terminate on the same trunk group. Independent claims 61 and 69 contain similar limitations as claim 50 and the same section of the specification supports claims 61 and 69.

The specification includes support for the dependent claims at page 8, line 25 to to page 12, line 10. Support for the dependent claims is not limited to this section. In particular, dependent claims 51 and 62 relate to the SCP receiving a redirection message for the call and processing the redirection message (page 10, lines 1-7). Dependent claims 52 and 63 require a second query for a second call including a second dialed number wherein the first destination is selected and redirect capabilities determined for the first destination based on the second dialed number (page 9, lines 24-29 and page 11, line 20 to page 12, line 10).

CONCLUSION

The claims in their present form are allowable over the art of record. Applicant therefore solicits their allowance.

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